MINUTES TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL TOWN BOARD MEETING MARCH 24, 2022 7:00 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Town of East Fishkill's Town Board Meeting on March 24, 2022 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor D'Alessandro with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Supervisor's Presentation

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated there were two presentations for the evening.

The first was for the Manny Bacon American Legion Post. He presented a proclamation as March 29 is National Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Day. He thanked them all for their service. He stated they are still working on the Veterans Memorial Park.

The second presentation was a proclamation presented to Mr. Robert Newhard for his years of service to the Town in his job as liaison between IBM/GlobalFoundries and the Town on his retirement.

Roll Call: Supervisor D'Alessandro asked Town Clerk Cassidy to call the rolls.

Board Members in attendance were

Thomas Emanuele Nicolas

Franco Marinaro D'Alessandro

Also in attendance were:

Tom Wood, Attorney; Scott Bryant, Engineer; and Mark Pozniak, Comptroller.

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated Board Member Beephan was excused as he is on a business trip in North Dakota.

Supervisor's Announcements

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated he started the monthly meeting with Dutchess County Supervisors and Mayors Association at the DC911 Center discussing what to do during emergencies.

There have been several meetings with the Veterans Council and Board Member

Franco as liaison. The Veterans Park is moving along.

There have been many meetings with the Recreation Departments. They are working with different leagues and parks to see what improvements could be made. They have also been interviewing candidates for the Recreation Director position. Supervisor D'Alessandro has been meeting with residents regarding negative issues with Air B&Bs in Town. The Town does not have an Air B&B ordinance, so this is something that needs to be discussed.

Supervisor D'Alessandro and Board member Beephan have been meeting with the Police Department and conducting interviews for new police officers. Supervisor D'Alessandro also attended the Police Academy graduation ceremony at DCC. Two of East Fishkill's police officers graduated that day. There will be a public discussion regarding the new laws in the future.

There was a meeting with the Dutchess County Community Development Advisory Committee. This committee recommends and reviews grant applications such as the CGBD and the innovation grants. There may be another round of available grants. The County Executive has asked Supervisor D'Alessandro to sit on the Dutchess County Economic Development Advisory Council as the chairman of the local Government Committee.

Supervisor D'Alessandro attended the Dutchess County regional Chamber of Commerce Gala. He thanked them for all they do.

He acknowledged two East Fishkill residents, Marcus Goldsmith and Kevin Elliot on receiving the rank of Eagle Scout.

There have been several meetings with the Economic Development Director to discuss multiple projects in Town. The \$70,000 grant was received from Dutchess County for a pocket park.

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated that East Fishkill fire and EMS are 100% volunteer. They need volunteers so if you can help, please do so.

Public Presentation

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated Central Hudson was going to do a presentation regarding some issues. John Maserjian, the Public Relations Director for Central Hudson, stated there have been some issues with utility bills. It is a countrywide issue. The two issues they are having are challenges related to a new billing system and the increases in energy costs across the nation. He went into detail as to these issues. There were several people who got up to discuss various problems they are having. Mr. Maserjian stated his staff will meet with anyone present in the lobby after his presentation to take their information and get back to them with some help. Supervisor D'Alessandro stated he would post links to Central Hudson on the East Fishkill website.

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated he was going to change the agenda items to address the first two resolutions prior to opening the Public Hearing.

1. Authorize a Promotion in the Police Department to Detective

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZING A PROMOTION IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, a Detective position has been vacant in the Police Department since the retirement of Mark Didato; and

WHEREAS, the Town Police Chief has requested to appoint a police officer to the position and recommended a qualified candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has approved the position and candidate for promotion; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Police Officer Sean Phillips to the position of Detective effective March 25, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person will be paid pursuant to the PBA Collective Bargaining Agreement Salary Schedule.

Motion to authorize a promotion in the Police Department to Detective: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Bellino issued Detective Philips his new shield.

2. Authorize Hiring of Police Officer

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZE THE APPOINTMENT OF A POLICE OFFICER)

WHEREAS, the Town Police Chief has been approved by the Town Board to hire a Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Town Police Chief has interviewed several candidates and has recommended Albert Taurone to the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has interviewed the eligible candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources has approved the candidate for our agency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Albert Taurone to the position of Police Officer effective March 25, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person will be paid pursuant to the PBA Collective Bargaining Agreement Salary Schedule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person shall serve the required probationary period set forth in the Rules for the Classified Civil Service of Dutchess County.

Motion to authorize the hiring of a Police Officer: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Bellino issued Officer Taurone his shield.

Public Hearings:

1. Open Public Hearing to consider Local Law that would Consider Increasing the Exemption Benefits allowed to Veterans

Motion to open the Public Hearing to consider a local law that would consider increasing the Exemption Benefits allowed to veterans: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated this Public Hearing was opened once before. This local law is to increase the veterans' tax exemption to the maximum amount.

Attorney Cunningham stated this is a continuation of a Public Hearing from the last Board meeting. This would codify that all the veterans in Town are entitled to the maximum exemption possible. It would be \$75,000 for all veterans plus an additional \$50,000 for any combat veterans for a total of \$125,000 and \$250,000 for disabled veterans. This is the maximum permitted by law.

Supervisor D'Alessandro asked if there was anyone from the public to speak for or against this. There was no one.

Supervisor D'Alessandro asked if there were any questions or comments from Board members.

Board Member Franco stated anytime they can help the veterans he is more than happy to.

Board Member Marinaro stated this is a great thing. Hopefully state legislation will allow them to do better than that at some point.

a. Close Public Hearing

Local Law No. 4 of 2022

(A Local Law Increasing Veterans Tax Exemptions)

Section 1: Legislative Intent

The Supervisor and Town Board have tremendous gratitude for the service of our Veterans. Recently, the State authorized local municipalities to increase the Tax Exemptions provided to Veterans. The Town honors its Veterans with events, memorials, and banners alongside roads and in Town Hall. It will now extend the Veterans Tax Exemptions to the maximum permitted under Section 458 and related sections of the Real Property Tax Law.

<u>Section 2: Increase in Veterans Tax Exemptions and Text Amendments to Section 168-13 of the Town Code</u>

The language in **bold** shall be added to Section 168-13 of the Town Code, and the language that is stricken shall be removed:

- A. Qualifying residential real property shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of 15% of the assessed value of such property; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed \$24,000 \$75,000 or the product of \$24,000 \$75,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is less.
- B. In addition to the exemption provided by Subsection A of this section, where the veteran served in a combat theater or combat zone of operations, as documented by the award of a United States campaign ribbon or service medal, qualifying residential real property also shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of 10% of the assessed value of such property; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed \$16,000 \$50,000; or the product of \$16,000 \$50,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the class ratio, whichever is less.
- C. In addition to the exemptions provided by Subsections A and B of this section, where the veteran received a compensation rating from the United States veteran's administration or from the United States department of defense because of a service connected disability, qualifying residential real property shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of the product of the assessed value of such property multiplied by 50% of the veteran's disability rating; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed \$80,000 \$250,000 or the product of \$80,000 \$250,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or in the case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is less. For purposes of this subsection, where a person who served in the active military, naval or air service during a period of war died in service of a service connected disability, such person shall be deemed to have been assigned a compensation rating of 100%.

Section 3. Severability

If any section or subdivision, paragraph, clause, or phrase of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL PETER CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK

Adopted on the 24th day of March, 2022

Motion to close the Public Hearing to consider a local law that would consider increasing the Exemption Benefits allowed to veterans: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

b. Adopt Negative Declaration and Local Law

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice of Determination of Non-Significance

Date: March 24, 2022

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulation pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Town of East Fishkill Town Board has determined that the proposed action described below will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Name of Action: Adoption of a Local Law Increasing Exemptions Benefits
Allowed to Veterans

Description of Action: The proposed action would result in amendments to Section 168-13 of the Town Code increasing veterans tax exemptions.

SEQR Status: Type I ____Conditioned Negative Declaration?

Yes		
No	Unlisted x	<u>X</u>
Location of Action:	Town of East Fishkill, County of Dutchess	
The following docu	umentation was analyzed in making this negative declarate	tion:
X Short Form	EAF	
Supplement	tal Part III Information	
Storm Wate	er Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)	
Other (Des	scribe)	
	Adoption of a Local Law Increasing Exemptions Allowed to Veterans	Benefits
For Further Informa	ation:	
Contact Person:	Peter J. Cassidy, Town Clerk Town Hall, 330 Route 376 Hopewell Junction, New York12533 (845) 221-4303	

REASONS SUPPORTING THIS DETERMINATION:

(See 617.7(c) for requirements of this determination; see 617.7(d) for conditioned Negative Declaration)

The proposed action would result in amendments to section 168-13 of the Town Code increasing the amount of the Veterans Tax Exemptions. The proposed action is administrative in nature and would not be expected to result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment for the following reasons:

- 1. It will not generate a significant amount of additional vehicles, noise or emission levels.
- 2. It will not affect rare or endangered species of animal or plant, or habitat of

such species.

- 3. It will not result in any impacts to historic or archeological resources.
- 4. It will not result in any impacts related to hazardous materials.
- 5. It will not result in a significant effect on air, water quality or ambient noise levels for adjoining areas.
- 6. It will not be subjected to unacceptable risk of flooding or major geological hazards.
- 7. It will not have a substantial aesthetic affect.
- 8. It will not involve adversely affect any surface water or groundwater.
- 9. It will not allow for improper uses within specified zoning districts.
- 10. It will not result in adverse cumulative impacts.
- 11. It will not result in adverse growth-inducing impacts.
- 12. It will not conflict with the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

In conclusion, no significant potential impacts were identified as a result of the Proposed Action.

Based on a review of 6NYCRR 617.7, there appear to be no significant adverse environmental impacts.

If Conditioned Negative Declaration, provide on attachment the specific mitigation measures imposed.

THIS NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS AUTHORIZED AT A MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL HELD ON MARCH 24, 2022.

Chairperson/Designee	Date

For Type I Actions and Conditioned Negative Declarations, a Copy of this Notice Sent to:

- Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, New York12233-0001
- Appropriate Regional Office of the Department of Environmental Conservation.
- Office of the Chief Executive Officer of the political subdivision in which the action will be principally located.
- Applicant (if any)
- Other involved agencies (if any)

Motion to adopt a Negative Declaration: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes:

February 10, 2022 March 10, 2022

Motion to approve the minutes for the February 10 and March 10, 2022 meetings: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Announcement of Additions to the Agenda:

Supervisor D'Alessandro said there are no additions to the agenda.

Courtesy of the Floor:

Supervisor D'Alessandro asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak about any general town issues.

Keith Dimaso asked about the parcel purchase at Hillside Lake. Supervisor D'Alessandro stated this would be usable for the next water filtration grant. Mr. Dimaso spoke about the speed reduction on Lake Walton Road, increasing the duties of the Building Inspector, and the John Jay school drop off and Van Wyck Jr High pick up. Supervisor D'Alessandro explained the John Jay drop off was part of the traffic mitigation plan on Route 52. Board Member Marinaro spoke to some issues with the DOT and School District regarding the problem on Hillside Lake Road. Ed Sloshower, a Board of Education Trustee, stated COVID issues have been the biggest problem with students riding the buses. They are having conversations with the Town and School Superintendent and administration is aware of the issues.

Receive and File:

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated there was a letter from NYSDOT granting the request for naming part of Route 82 "Main Street". He thanked the DOT for approving this.

There was also a "Notice" from the Town of Philipstown regarding a local law they are doing regarding state and energy conservation construction code.

Resolutions:

3. Authorize Acquisition of a Parcel in Hillside Lake for Water Filtration

RESOLUTION
(AUTHORIZING PURCHASE FROM COUNTY OF TAX LOT #132800-6458-07-645944-0000)

WHEREAS, the above parcel has been taken by Dutchess County for unpaid taxes; and

WHEREAS, said parcel is approximately 0.34 acres; and

WHEREAS, this property would help facilitate Town's storm water filtration; and

WHEREAS, the County has offered this parcel to the Town upon payment to the County of the back taxes that had accrued;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to acquire said parcel from Dutchess County for the sum of \$1062.45.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is subject to Permissive Referendum.

Motion to authorize the acquisition of a parcel in Hillside Lake for water filtration: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Acknowledge Hiring of Seasonal Laborers for the Highway Department

RESOLUTION (ACKNOWLEDGING HIRING OF SEASONAL LABORERS FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has identified the need to hire four Seasonal Laborers; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has conducted the screening process and selected four candidates; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has submitted a letter to the Town Board attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby acknowledges rehiring Dylan Magnotta, Lucas Franzen, Kevin Heckert, and Nicholas Casablanca as Seasonal Laborer at the hourly rate of \$17.50; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby acknowledges rehiring Jeffrey Vincent as Seasonal Laborer at the hourly rate of \$19.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby acknowledges the appointment date is effective April 4, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon completion of their seasonal tasks, they shall be removed from the payroll.

Motion to acknowledge hiring of Seasonal Laborers for the Highway Department: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

5. Set Public Hearing for April 28, 2022 Water Supply Regulations

RESOLUTION

(Scheduling a Public Hearing to Consider Imposing Stricter Regulations with regards to Potable Water Supplies for New Developments)

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has proposed the adoption of a change in regulations entitled "Stricter Regulations with regards to Potable Water Supplies for New Developments"; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to set a public hearing to consider stricter **r**egulations with regards to potable water supplies for new developments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing on the aforesaid change in Regulation will be held at the Town Board meeting on April 28, 2022 at 7:00PM at the Town Hall, 330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, NY; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall advertise said hearing as required by law.

Motion to set Public hearing for April 28, 2022 water supply regulations: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

6. Award Water Districts Hydrant Replacement Bids

RESOLUTION
TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT
HYDRANT REPLACEMENTS CONTRACT No.: WS2022.002

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill oversees maintenance and operations for the various water special districts and is seeking hydrant and valve replacements; and

WHEREAS, the Town circulated a publicly available bid titled "TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL WATER DISTRICTS HYDRANT REPLACEMENTS", due to the Town Clerks Office March 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town received four (4) responses to the BID; and

WHEREAS, the Town performed an evaluation of the responses received, determining that Legacy Supply, Inc. is recommended for award;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Water Districts Hydrant Replacements bid be hereby awarded to Legacy Supply, Inc for the amount of \$149,515.00; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares and authorizes Nicholas D'Alessandro, Town Supervisor, be provided the authority to authorize a contract with Legacy Supply, Inc.

Motion to award Water Districts Hydrant Replacement Bids: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

7. Authorize Promotion in Highway

<u>RESOLUTION</u> (ACKNOWLEDGE PROMOTION IN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Working Supervisor position has been vacant since the retirement of Keith Cservak; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has submitted a letter to the Town Board requesting to backfill the position; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has requested the Town Board accept Brian Tucker for the position; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby acknowledges the appointment of Brian Tucker to Working Supervisor at the hourly rate of \$34.95 effective March 27, 2022.

Motion to authorize promotion in Highway: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

8. Acknowledge April as Parkinson's Awareness Month

RESOLUTION (DESIGNATE APRIL AS PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH)

WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological movement disorder of the central nervous system, which has a unique impact on each patient; and

WHEREAS, according to the Parkinson's Action Network, the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, the American Parkinson's Disease Association and the National Institutes of Health, there are over one million Americans diagnosed with Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, symptoms include slowness, tremor, difficulty with balance and speaking, rigidity, cognitive and memory problems; and

WHEREAS, although new medicines and therapies may enhance life for some time for people with Parkinson's, more work is needed for a cure; and

WHEREAS, increased education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments with fewer side effects and ultimately a cure for Parkinson's disease; and

WHEREAS, a multidisciplinary approach to Parkinson's disease care includes local wellness, support, and caregiver groups; and

WHEREAS, April has been proclaimed as World Wide Parkinson's Awareness Month for all to recognize the need for more research and help in dealing with the devastating effects of Parkinson's disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Town Board of East Fishkill do hereby proclaim April as Parkinson's Awareness Month in 2022.

Motion to acknowledge April as Parkinson's Awareness Month: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

9. Award Saratoga Associates Proposal for Route 82 Building and Design Standards

RESOLUTION

(RE: AWARD SARATOGA ASSOCIATES PROPOSAL FOR HAMLET BUILDING AND DESIGN STANDARDS)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill is seeking to establish design standards for the Town's hamlet centers to revitalize and improve the appearance of the hamlet center and to ensure visual cohesiveness among buildings, lighting, landscaping and streetscape elements;

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill through a competitive RFP process plan for a Veteran's Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, the Town requested a proposal from Saratoga Associates for additional professional services to develop design standards for the hamlet areas; and

WHEREAS, following the review and analysis of the proposal for additional work, Town Staff is recommending the retention of Saratoga Associates, Four Congress Park Centre, 21 Congress St, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 to develop design standards with a scope of services not to exceed Thirty One thousand dollars (\$31,000.00)(the "Agreement"); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Supervisor is authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Town, the Agreement, a copy of which Agreement shall be on file in the Office of the Town Clerk.

Motion to award Saratoga Associates proposal for Route 82 Building and Design standards: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

10. Authorize Hiring Permanent Part-Time for the Engineering Department

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZE HIRING PERMANENT PART-TIME FOR THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has identified the need to hire a part-time Account Clerk in the Department of Engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has interviewed several candidates; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer recommends Diarra Phillip for the position; and

WHEREAS, the Dutchess County Department of Human Resources has approved the candidate for our agency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Diarra Phillip to the position of part-time Account Clerk effective March 28, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person will be paid pursuant to the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement Salary Schedule.

Motion to authorize hiring permanent part-time for the Engineering Department: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

11. Authorize Son's of Italy Field Use and Fireworks

RESOLUTION

(AUTHORIZE FIREWORKS PERMIT AND GRANT PERMISSION TO USE HOPEWELL RECREATION FIELD MAY 26-29, 2022)

WHEREAS, the Sons of Italy conduct their annual event to provide entertainment and fireworks to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Town has traditionally allowed them the use of the Hopewell Recreation Field for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Sons of Italy is requesting the Town Board approve the use of the Hopewell Recreation Field from May 26, 2022 through May 29, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, the Sons of Italy is requesting the Town Board approve the firework display for Sunday, May 29, 2022; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sons of Italy is authorized to use the Recreation Field and have the fireworks display on the date requested; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Police, Town Recreation Department and all other agencies of the Town are authorized and directed to allow the use of the Hopewell Recreation Field by the Sons of Italy for the firework display; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this consent is subject to the receipt of a Certificate of Insurance from the Sons of Italy indemnifying the Town for any liability arising out of their use of the fields.

Motion to authorize Son's of Italy field use and fireworks: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

12. Appoint Assistant Directors Camp and Red Wing Park

RESOLUTION

(AUTHORIZING HIRING OF ASSISTANT RED WING DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT CAMP DIRECTORS)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill conducts extensive summertime programs for the Town; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to authorize the hiring of three Assistant Camp Directors and one Assistant Red Wing Director for the summer season;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Nicholas Howe, Kathleen Intravaia, and Connor Wade to the position of Assistant Camp Director at the hourly rate of \$20.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Ralph Strobel to the position of Assistant Red Wing Director at the hourly rate of \$20.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of their task such persons shall be removed from the payroll unless further ordered by the Town Board.

Motion to appoint Assistant Directors for camp and Red Wing Park: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

13. Authorize Hiring of Camp Health Director

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZING HIRING OF CAMP HEALTH DIRECTOR)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill conducts extensive summertime programs for the Town; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to authorize the hiring of a Camp Health Director for the summer season as set forth by the Director of Recreation;

WHEREAS, the Director of Recreation has interviewed and recommended Lissette Torres Perez as the Camp Health Director for this summer program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Lissette Torres Perez is hereby appointed to the position of Camp Health Director at the hourly rate of \$23.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said employment shall only be effective June 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of their task, said person shall be removed from the payroll, unless further ordered by the Town Board.

Motion to authorize hiring of Camp Health Director: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

14. Authorize Hiring Seasonal Labor in Water Sewer Department

RESOLUTION (HIRING OF SEASONAL LABORER FOR THE WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has identified the need to hire a Seasonal Laborer in the Water & Sewer Department; and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has recommended a candidate to the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby appoints Kenneth Williams Jr. to Seasonal Laborer at the hourly rate of \$17.50 effective April 4, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of seasonal tasks, he shall be removed from payroll.

Motion to authorize hiring seasonal labor in Water Sewer Department: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

15. Authorize Speed Limit 35 mph on Lake Walton Road

RESOLUTION (SETTING SPEED LIMIT ON LAKE WALTON ROAD)

WHEREAS, Lake Walton Road is a major connector road between Route 82 and Route 376; and

WHEREAS, the speed limit currently is 40 mph; and

WHEREAS, with the increase of traffic volume it appears that a reduction of the speed limit would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, a town may regulate speed limits within the range of not less than 30 nor more than 55 mph;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective May 1, 2022 the speed limit on Lake Walton Road will be 35 mph; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent be and hereby is directed to install the appropriate signage.

Motion to authorize the speed limit to be 35 mph on Lake Walton Road: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

16. Authorize Increase of Job Duties for Building Inspector

RESOLUTION (SETTING SPEED LIMIT ON LAKE WALTON ROAD)

WHEREAS, Lake Walton Road is a major connector road between Route 82 and Route 376; and

WHEREAS, the speed limit currently is 40 mph; and

WHEREAS, with the increase of traffic volume it appears that a reduction of the speed limit would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, a town may regulate speed limits within the range of not less than 30 nor more than 55 mph;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective May 1, 2022 the speed limit on Lake Walton Road will be 35 mph; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent be and hereby is directed to install the appropriate signage.

Motion to authorize increase in job duties for Building Inspector: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

17. Authorize Hiring of Recreation Director

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZE HIRING OF RECREATION DIRECTOR)

WHEREAS, the full-time Recreation Director position has been vacant for three months; and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has identified the need to backfill the position and hire a qualified candidate; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has interviewed the eligible candidate recommended by the Town Supervisor; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby appoints Jessica Dickinson to the position of Recreation Director at the annual salary of \$75,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person will commence work on April 1, 2022.

Motion to authorize hiring of a Recreation Director: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

18. Accept 10K Grant from Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant

RESOLUTION

(RE: ACCEPT \$10,000 HUDSON RIVER VALLEY GRANT AWARD FOR THE PURPOSES OF UPDATING THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill applied to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for a grant under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program for a project entitled Update to Town of East Fishkill Comprehensive Plan to be located in the Town of East Fishkill, and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill was awarded \$10,000 to put towards Comprehensive Plan updates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the East Fishkill Town Board hereby does accept the \$10,000 grant award under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Planning Grant Program, for a project known as Update to Town of East Fishkill Comprehensive Plan.

Motion to accept 10K grant from Hudson River Followed Greenway Grant: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

19. Authorize Hiring Full-Time Labor in the Highway Department

RESOLUTION (ACKNOWLEDGE HIRE AT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has identified the need to hire a full-time Laborer in the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has submitted a letter to the Town Board attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has interviewed qualified candidates and recommends Anthony Luguori for said title; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby acknowledges the appointment of Anthony Luguori to Laborer effective April 4, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, such person will be paid pursuant to the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement Salary Schedule.

Motion to authorize hiring a full-time labor in the Highway Department: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

20. Declare Lead Agency for Four Corners Water District Well 5

<u>RESOLUTION</u> (DECLARING LEAD AGENCY FOUR CORNERS WATER DISTRICT WELL 5)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill has determined that the Four Corners Water District is in need for an additional water source; and

WHEREAS, the board previously authorized and circulated the Notice of Intent to be lead agency under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, said notice has been circulated and no objection received; and

WHEREAS, Four Corners Water District Well 5 will require an environmental review under SEQR;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby declare itself to be Lead Agency for Four Corners Water District Well 5; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town's consultants and employees are authorized to forward and respond to appropriate notifications and any other documents as needed.

Motion to declare Lead Agency for Four Corners Water District Well 5: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

21. Adopt Negative declaration for Four Corners Water District Well 5

RESOLUTION

(RESOLUTION OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR AN UNLISTED ACTION UNDER SEQRA IN CONNECTION WITH THE INSTALLATION OF FOUR CORNERS WATER DISTRICT WELL #5)

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill is in need of a new, reliable water source for the Four Corners Water District; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill having duly considered the system improvements determined a new well (Well #5) should be installed and operated to provide a new water source; and

WHEREAS, the installation and operation of Well #5 is an action subject to a review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (hereinafter "SEQRA") pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill declared their intent to be Lead Agency under SEQRA for the installation and operation of Four Corners Well #5 on January 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Action involves one or more other involved agencies, and the Town conducted a coordinated review under SEQR circulating the EAF along with a Notice declaring its intent to serve as Lead Agency to the Involved Agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Involved Agencies have consented to the Town Board role as Lead Agency;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the proposed action is classified as an Unlisted Action; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said SEAF with both Parts 1 and 2 filled out be attached to this Resolution for inclusion in the Town's Records, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town issues a negative declaration in connection with the SEQRA review of this project, be it **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse the said Negative Declaration attached hereto; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that based upon the consideration and completion of the SEAF process the Town determined the classification and negative declaration noted above, action is required by the Town to comply with SEQRA, through notification to the Environmental Notice Bulletin (ENB) and authorizes the Town Clerk to make notification.

Motion to adopt the Negative Declaration for Four Corners Water District Well 5: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

22. Award Contract for Drilling Test Well for Beekman Water District

RESOLUTION TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT BEEKMAN TEST WELL INSTALLATION CONTRACT No.: WS2022.003

WHEREAS, the Town of East Fishkill has previously sought professional hydrological services for the evaluation of the Beekman Water District as a possible regional water system and awarded the contract services to WSP; and

WHEREAS, the consultant, WSP, prepared a Hydrological Assessment for Beekman Water District, dated February 2022 and is recommending that a test well be installed to determine the maximum water capacity of the water source; and

WHEREAS, the consultant WSP was directed to solicit drilling bids for the installation of a test well and received four responses and Claverack Pumping Services, LLC is the lowest bid; and

WHEREAS, the Town is recommending a 12-inch diameter test well be installed for testing and maximizing water withdrawal;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Beekman Test Well Installation bid be hereby awarded to Claverack Pumping Services, LLC for the amount of \$59,714.00; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares and Authorizes Nicholas D'Alessandro, Town Supervisor, be provided the authority to authorize a contract with Claverack Pumping Services, LLC.

Motion to award contract for drilling a test well for Beekman Water District: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

23. Authorize a Request for Proposals for the 2022 Brush Drop off

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZING A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE 2022 BRUSH DROPOFF)

WHEREAS, the Town has maintained a brush drop off program for the convenience of the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has proposed that the Town continue with the brush drop off program as well as advertise for request for proposals to provide a brush drop off site; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to advertise for requests for proposals for same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor and Town Clerk be and hereby are authorized to advertise for request for proposals to provide for a brush drop off point in the Town during the Spring and Fall; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said proposal shall be received and evaluated by the Supervisor and a summary report will be provided to the Town Board for authorization.

Motion to authorize the request for proposals for the 2022 brush drop off: Board Member Marinaro. Seconded: Board Member Franco. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

24. Authorize to Advertise for Bids for the Route 52 Round-a-bout

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZE BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE ROUTE 52 ROUND-A-BOUT
AT AUDITORIUM DRIVE (PATRIOTS WAY)

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has requested that the Town Board authorize bids for the construction of the Route 52 Round-A-Bout at Auditorium Way (Patriots Way); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized to advertise for the above named bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the advertisement receipt of bids, the summary of the bids received shall be filed with Town Board for further consideration and award.

Motion to authorize to advertise for bids for the Route 52 Round-a-bout: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

25. Authorize Approved Vendors List for Oil Tank Removal

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated this resolution was been tabled.

26. Authorize to Advertise for Bids for John Jay High School Drop Off

RESOLUTION (AUTHORIZE BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR JOHN JAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT DROP OFF)

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has requested that the Town Board authorize bids for the construction of the John Jay High School Student Drop off on Auditorium Drive (Patriots Way); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized to advertise for the above named bid: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the advertisement receipt of bids, the summary of the bids received shall be filed with Town Board for further consideration and award.

Motion to authorize for bids for John Jay High School Drop off: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

27. Adopt Rules and Regulations for the East Fishkill Police Department

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZE BID ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE ROUTE 52 ROUND-A-BOUT AT AUDITORIUM DRIVE (PATRIOTS WAY)

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has requested that the Town Board authorize bids for the construction of the Route 52 Round-A-Bout at Auditorium Way (Patriots Way); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized to advertise for the above named bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the advertisement receipt of bids, the summary of the bids received shall be filed with Town Board for further consideration and award.

Motion to adopt the Rules and Regulations for the East Fishkill Police Department: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Additions to the Agenda by Majority Vote:

None.

Budget Transfer:

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated there is a budget transfer. Comptroller Pozniak stated they are still processing some final expenditures from the 2021 year. The expenditures for 2021 in total were under the budgeted amounts and revenues were above the expected amounts so there is an operating surplus for the year. Some individual lines were over spent and some were underspent so they are just moving around some of the funding within the General Fund and Highway Fund. Supervisor D'Alessandro asked if the Comptroller could provide the Board with a financial overview at the next workshop. Comptroller Pozniak said yes.

Motion to accept the budget transfer as presented: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Comments from Town Board Members:

Highway Superintendent Williams stated they have been doing pipe work in various areas such as Brandy Lane. They have also been doing easements there. They have been doing pipe work on Ryan Drive. The gradall are out working throughout the Town doing lawn repair from snow plowing. They are cleaning up curbs that are broken. As soon as asphalt plants are open, they will be out doing repairs. The street sweepers are scheduled to start the week of April 4. This is a subcontracted job. If garbage cans are left on the roadway, they need to go around them. It cost the town a second trip out if garbage cans or cars are parked on the sides of the road. He is asking that residents be aware of this and to help out moving things off of the

roadsides. They're also trying to fill potholes as they get called in. They have also been out doing a lot of tree work.

Police Chief Bellino thanked the Board for their new hire and promotion. Michael O'Brien and his staff has been working on some grant applications. They anticipate filing in May. It will be for software and hardware as well as vehicle dispatch equipment. This will be a joint venture with the County and some other agencies to help reduce the costs by approximately \$6-\$700,000. The upstairs remodeling project and the Police Department is approximately 75% done thanks to help from the Highway Department. The speed trailer will be put out on Lake Walton Road next week to give people a heads up before they are issued summons due to the speed reduction. He recognized Officer Matthew Malligan for his work with MADD in 2021. The PBA will be doing a food drive on April 3rd at the Town Hall.

Town Clerk Cassidy stated Saturday, April 2 is Town Cleanup Day from 8:30 – 11:30. People are getting their fishing licenses this week.

Board Member Marinaro stated the Recreation Department has invited all of the different teams to participate in Town Cleanup Day this Saturday. April 9 will be the Easter egg hunt from 11 AM to 1 PM at the Community Center. There will be goodie bags and refreshments, a petting zoo, and the Easter Bunny. April 9 will also be opening day for sports. There will be no parade this year but the teams will be meeting at the fields for opening day ceremony. They have been meeting with different leagues regarding needed upgrades. They're hoping to upgrade the food facilities at the concessions stand. Board Member Marinaro stated one of the examples of what is going on in Albany and Washington are the high prices with energy. Everyone needs to pay attention to what is going on and get involved.

Board Member Franco thanked the Police for all of the hard work they have been doing. He thanked the Highway Superintendent and his crews. East Fishkill Veterans Committee met last week with the architects designing the Veterans Memorial Park. They were able to pick out the design and will be bringing the project forward to the public soon. He hopes to see a lot of residents at Cleanup Day. He stated if anyone has any issues or concerns, please reach out to any Board member.

Supervisor D'Alessandro stated Saturday, April 2 is Town Cleanup Day starting at Town Hall at 8:30 AM. He wished a very Happy 21st Anniversary to his wife.

A resident got up and thanked the Board for the lowering of the speed limit on Lake Walton Road. It was his daughter that was killed on April 2 last year.

<u>Motion for Adjournment: Time:</u> Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:13 PM: Board Member Franco. Seconded: Board Member Marinaro. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Town Board Meetings: Workshop Meeting: April 14, 2022
Regular Meeting: April 28, 2022

Respectfully submitted by Julie J. Beyer on behalf of Town Clerk Peter Cassidy – March 29, 2022